

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Thursday, September 26, 2013.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, with Mr. Donato of Medford in the Chair (having been appointed by the Speaker, under authority conferred by Rule 5, to perform the duties of the Chair).

Pledge of
allegiance.

At the request of the Chair (Mr. Donato) the members, guests and employees joined with him in reciting the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Guests of the House.

Bedford,—
Lori
Alper.

During the session, Mr. Gordon of Burlington took the Chair, declared a brief recess, and introduced Lori Alper of Bedford who was recognized by the presentation of a Citation of the House for her steadfast commitment to promoting environmental education and awareness. She was the guest of Representative Gordon.

Resolutions.

Steven B.
Sturtevant.

Resolutions (filed with the Clerk by Ms. Hogan of Stow) congratulating Detective Steven B. Sturtevant on the occasion of his retirement from the town of Stow Police Department, were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules.

Mr. Binienda of Worcester, for the committee on Rules, reported that the resolutions ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus the resolutions (reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) were considered forthwith; and they were adopted.

Petition.

Boston,—
land
conveyance.

Mr. Holmes of Boston and Senator Forry presented a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Russell E. Holmes and Linda Dorcena Forry for legislation to authorize the Division of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance to convey certain parcel of state owned land to the city of Boston; and the same was referred, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

Mr. Binienda of Worcester, for the committee on Rules and the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, then reported recommending that Joint Rule 12 be suspended. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Kafka of Stoughton, the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

Public higher
education,—
loan
payments.

By Mr. Cusack of Braintree, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Mark J. Cusack for legislation to establish a fund to make loan payments on behalf of graduates of Massachusetts public institutions of higher education who are employed in the areas of science, technology, engineering and mathematics.

By Mr. Rosa of Leominster (by request), a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Patricia Cabrinety for legislation to designate Leonard Bernstein as the official musician of the Commonwealth.

Leonard Bernstein,—
official
musician.

Severally, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

Reports of Committees.

By Ms. Malia of Boston, for the committee on Mental Health and Substance Abuse, on a petition, a Bill to increase mental health facilities for women in the Commonwealth (House, No. 1787).

Women,—
mental health
access.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to mental health services in Massachusetts correctional institutions, houses of correction and jails (House, No. 1789) [Representative O'Connell of Taunton dissenting].

Jails, etc.,—
mental health
services.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill to protect children's mental health services (House, No. 1799).

Children,—
mental health.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to substance abuse treatment (House, No. 1800) [Representatives Hunt of Sandwich and O'Connell of Taunton dissenting].

Substance
abuse
treatment.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill increasing public safety by increasing access to addiction treatment (House, No. 1809) [Representative O'Connell of Taunton dissenting].

Addiction
treatment.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to Medicaid spending (House, No. 1818).

Medicaid,—
opiod study.

By the same member, for the same committee, on Senate, No. 904 and House, No. 1893, a Bill relative to acceptable health service training for psychologists (House, No. 1893).

Psychologists,—
training.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 1796, a Bill relative to behavioral health managed care organizations (House, No. 3665).

Behavioral
health.

Severally referred, under Joint Rule 1E, to the committee on Health Care Financing.

By Mr. Straus of Mattapoisett, for the committee on Transportation, on a petition, a Bill relative to the inspection of certain motor vehicles (House, No. 3070).

Motor
vehicles,—
inspection.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill exempting towed campers from commercial license plates (House, No. 3146).

Campers,—
license
plates.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to carriers of property by motor vehicle (House, No. 3154).

Motor
vehicle
carriers.

Severally read; and referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. Straus of Mattapoisett, for the committee on Transportation, on a petition, a Bill designating a certain section of State Highway Route 2 in the city of Cambridge and town of Arlington as the James M. Gavin Memorial Highway (House, No. 3056).

Cambridge and
Arlington,—
Gavin
Highway.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to year of manufacture registration plates (House, No. 3064).

Registration
plates.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to clarify penalties for violations occurring while driving with a hardship license (House, No. 3093).

Hardship
licenses,—
violations.

Historic districts,—
speed limits.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to speed limits in historic districts (House, No. 3097) [Representative Durant of Spencer dissenting].

Randolph,—
Bowley bridge.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill designating a certain state owned bridge in the town of Randolph as the Charles L. Bowley memorial bridge (House, No. 3158).

Severally read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

By Mr. Kafka of Stoughton, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the following House bills be scheduled for consideration by the House:

Townsend,—
charter.

Relative to the charter of the town of Townsend (House, No. 3545) [Local Approval Received];

Southborough,—
warrants.

Authorizing to town administrator of Southborough to sign warrants (House, No. 3549) [Local Approval Received];

Mashpee,—
land.

Authorizing to town of Mashpee to convey an interest in certain town owned land to the town of Barnstable (House, No. 3579) [Local Approval Received]; and

Easton,—
sewer betterment.

Extending sewer betterment repayments in the town of Easton (House, No. 3582) [Local Approval Received];

Under suspension of Rule 7A, in each instance, on motion of the same member, the bills were read a second time forthwith; and they were ordered to a third reading.

Emergency Measure.

Marianne McVarish,—
sick leave.

The engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Marianne McVarish, an employee of the Department of Public Health (see Senate, No. 1862), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was considered, the question being on adopting the emergency preamble.

A separate vote was taken, as required by the provisions of Article XLVIII (as amended by Article LXVII) of the Amendments to the Constitution; and the preamble was adopted, by a vote of 6 to 0. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Bill enacted.

Subsequently, the Senate having concurred in adoption of the emergency preamble, the bill (which originated in the Senate) was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Third reading bill.

The House Bill relative to a lease agreement for land in the town of Tewksbury between the Division of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance and the Tewksbury Hospital Equestrian Farm (House, No. 3663) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), reported by said committee to be correctly drawn, was read a third time; and it was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Recess.

Recess.

At the sixteen minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Hill of Ipswich (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the

House recessed subject to the call of the Chair; and at two minutes after four o'clock P.M., the House was called to order with Mr. Donato in the Chair.

Paper from the Senate.

A petition of Stephen M. Brewer and Denise Andrews for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Jessica Culver, an employee of the Department of Mental Health, came from the Senate referred, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Public Service.

Jessica
Culver,—
sick leave.

The House then concurred with the Senate in the suspension of said rule; and the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1871) was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Service.

Emergency Measure.

The engrossed Bill repealing the computer and software service taxes (see House, No. 3662), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was considered, the question being on adopting the emergency preamble.

Computer
and
software
service
taxes.

A separate vote was taken, as required by the provisions of Article XLVIII (as amended by Article LXVII) of the Amendments to the Constitution; and the preamble was adopted, by a vote of 4 to 0. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Subsequently, the Senate having concurred in adoption of the emergency preamble, the bill (which originated in the Senate) was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill
enacted.

Engrossed Bill.

The engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Jeanette Cruz, an employee of the Department of Unemployment Assistance (see Senate, No. 1852, amended) (which originated in the Senate), in respect to which the Senate had concurred in adoption of the emergency preamble, was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill
enacted.

The engrossed Bill amending the charter of the town of Randolph (see House, No. 3439) (which originated in the House), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Id.

Order.

On motion of Mr. DeLeo of Winthrop,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Monday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At a quarter after four o'clock P.M., on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Monday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.